GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Registration & Stamps Department – detection of loss in the Internal Audit Report No.18/2012 relating to Doc.No.6673/2011 of Sub Registrar Office, Amalapuram – Allegation against Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar (now Retired) and two others - Departmental proceedings initiated – Regular Enquiry conducted – Disciplinary case finalized – Imposing punishment of 5 % cut in pension for a period of one year – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.1 Dated:01-01-2016.

Read the following:

1) DIG, R&S, Kakinada Procs.No.IAR/18/2012,dated:25-8-2012.
2) DIG,R&S, Kakinada Procs.No.X/947/2012, dated:15-5-2013.
3) DIG,R&S, Kakinada Procs.No.X/438/2013, dated:15-5-2013.
4) WSD of Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, dated:Nil received through District Registrar, Rajahmundry letter dated:28-6-2013.
5) DIG, R&S, Kakinada Procs.No.X/947/2012, dated:29-7-2013.
6) DR, Kakinada Lr.No.E1/1559/2014, dated:2-5-2014.
7) DIG, R&S, Kakinada X/947/2012, dated:5-6-2014.
8) C&IG, R&S, AP., Hyd., Lr.No.X2/8710/2013, dated:25-8-2014 along with a letter of DIG, R&S, Kakinada together with enquiry report.
9) Govt., Memo.No.26312/Vig.II(1)/2014-1, dated:24-11-2014.
10) DR, Rajahmundry Lr.No.E1/633/2013, dated:2-1-2015.
11) Govt., Memo.No.26312/Vig.II(1)/2014-2, dated:25-4-2015.
12) Representation of Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar, Amalapuram (Retd) dt:30-6-2015 received on 10-9-2015.
13) Govt., Lr.No.26312/Vig.II(1)/2014-5, dated:30-10-2015.
14) APPSC Lr.No.923/DC&C/2/2015, dated:21-12-2015.

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ORDER:

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above, it has been brought to the notice of the Government that the District Registrar (Market Value & Audit), Kakinada had detected loss of Revenue to a tune of Rs.41,37,970/- in the IAR.No.18/2012 in respect of Doc.No.6673/2011 of Sub Registrar Office, Amalapuram, East Godavari District.

2. And where as, in the reference 2nd read above, the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Kakinada had initiated common disciplinary proceedings under Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 against Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar (Retired) and two others.

3. Whereas, in the reference 3rd read above, the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Kakinada has initiated disciplinary proceedings against Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar (Retired) duly framing the following charge among two others.

> "That the Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, Sub Registrar, Amalapuram, Rajahmundry Registration District committed grave misconduct in as much as he, while discharging his duties as Sub Registrar, Amalapuram caused huge loss of Revenue to the tune of Rs.41,37,970/- to the State exchequer by registering the document No.6673/2011, by resorting to undervaluation which was reported in the Internal Audit Report of District Registrar (Market Value & Audit), Kakinada

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Lr.No.229/2012/MV&A/KKD, dated: 11-05-2012 along with Internal Audit Report.No.18/2012 of Sub Registrar Office, Amalapuram."

4. In the reference 4th read above, the Charged Officer Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar, Amalapuram (now Retired) had submitted Written Statement of Defence denying the charge. Having not convinced with the Written Statement of Defence submitted by the Charged Officer, the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Kakinada had appointed District Registrar, Kakinada as Inquiring Authority in the reference 5th read above.

5. In the reference 6th read above, the Regular Enquiry Officer has submitted report holding that the charge precisely not proved against Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar (Retired) among two others. The Inquiring Authority has also stated that the loss of Rs.41,37,970/- caused to the Doc.No.6673/2011 has been collected.

6. Since the Charged Officer Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar was retired from service on 31-12-2012, the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Kakinada has forwarded the Regular Enquiry Officer report to Government for taking necessary action in the matter under Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

7. Government have examined the matter and disagreed with the findings of the Regular Enquiry Officer and communicated the following disagreement factors along with Regular Enquiry Officer report to Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar (Retired) in the reference 9th read above.

> "though, it is agreed that there may not be any malafide intention on part of the Charged Officer Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, Sub Registrar (Retired), Amalapuram, it cannot be treated as a simple mistake. Had the internal audit not detected this case, there could have been a loss of Rs.41,37,970/- to the public exchequer"

8. The District Registrar, Rajahmundry has furnished only dated acknowledgement in respect of Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar (Retired) in the reference 10th read above. But, the Charged Officer has not submitted any representation and the time limit prescribed has also been elapsed.

9. Government have examined the matter based on the material available with Government and provisionally decided to impose a punishment of 5% cut in pension for a period of one year against Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar (Retired). Accordingly, a Show Cause Notice has been issued to Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar (Retired) and directed to show cause as to why the proposed punishment should not be imposed against him under Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 in the reference 11th read above.

10. In the reference 12th read above, the Charged Officer Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar (Retired) submitted a representation stating mainly among others that the Doct.No.6673/2011 of Sub Registrar Office, Amalapuram is a sale conveying an extent of Ac.2.41 cents situated in Amalapuram and stated that the alleged deficit amount of Rs.41,37,970/- towards deficit stamp duty and registration fee etc., is due to mis-interpretation of the rate of market value applicable to the said property and requested the Government to consider his case on humanitarian grounds and exonerate him from the charge and to drop further action against him.

11. Government after careful examination of the representation of the Charged Officer and based on the material available with Government, have observed that had the internal audit not detected this case, there could have

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Been a loss of Rs.41,37,970/- to the public exchequer and observed that the reply is not convincing. Therefore, it has been decided to confirm the provisional decision i.e., to impose a penalty of 5% cut in pension for a period of one year against Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar (Retired).

12. The Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission have agreed with the proposal of the Government in the reference 13th read above (copy enclosed to the Charged Officer).

13. Therefore, Government, hereby order to impose a punishment of 5 % cut in pension for a period of one year against the Charged Officer Sri M.Satyanarayana Raju, former Sub Registrar (Retired).

14. The Director & Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

AJEYA KALLAM
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Individual. (***through the Director & Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad,)***
The Director & Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad (*He is requested to serve the order to the Charged Officer and furnish the served copy along with dated acknowledgement to Government for record*)

Copy to:

The Secretary to the Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Andhra Pradeh Secretariat, Hyderabad.
The Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Kakinada.
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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER